Kent News.

CHESTERTOWN - FEB. 9, 1889.

THE Indiana Legislature is waging a war against trusts. A good cause in which all parties may unite.

ADJUTANT-GENERAL HOWARD is arranging for the representation of the Maryland militia at the Harrison inauguration.

THE disease known as cerebro spinal meningitis prevails to a serious extent among horses in the neighborhood of New Brunswick, New Jersey.

BELLE STARR, the noted outlaw, the most desperate woman that ever figured on the western border, was killed in Indian Territory Sunday night.

GOV. JAMES A. BEAVER, of Pennsylvania, has signed the resolution passed by the Legislature to submit a prohibition amend- …nt to the people.

…he Pennsylvania House of Repre- …s a bill has been introduced mak- …nal offence for any one to treat … intoxicating drinks.

…eatens to be a serious race war … out in Marion, Illinois. The …tween white and colored work- …is is not in the South.

…w Jersey House of Representa- …has been introduced imposing a …00 or a year's imprisonment for …agered money or permitting gam- … one's premises.

…HE New York Slave Market" is what the …altimore *Sun* terms Castle Garden. It is there that the poor green foreigner is grabbed and enticed by glittering promises to go to Baltimore and ship on dredging boats, where in many cases the worst sort of slave life awaits them.

EX-GOVERNOR BULLOCK and a delegation of prominent citizens of Atlanta, Ga., visited Gen. Harrison last week and invited him to attend the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the burning and bombardment of Atlanta in October next. The President-elect said he should be glad to revisit old scenes, but was unable to promise definitely.

THE ice on Pine Lake, New York State, gave way Tuesday and twenty-four teams engaged in drawing logs went down with the drivers. Regarding the safety of the ice no fears had been felt, but it gave way, however, after seven drivers and teams had reached the shore, and the remaining drivers and horses broke through the ice and sank out of sight.

A BILL has been introduced in the Delaware Legislature to remove the penalty of whipping from women. A woman was whipped in 1871 for larceny, and the protest against the action was so strong that the Legislature at the next session passed an act declaring that women should not be whipped for that offense. The penalty for the other crimes—arson, horse-stealing, burglary, perjury, subornation of perjury, breaking into a house to commit crimes not capital—still exists. The sentiment of the members is strong against the whipping post for women, and there is no doubt of the speedy passage of the bill.

Notes from the National Capital.

The President has refrained from making several appointments because of the attitude of the Senate in failing to confirm nominations.

It is thought Mr. Daniel Ransdell, of Indianapolis, will be appointed marshal of the District of Columbia.

Commissioner Webb and Jeremiah M. Wilson are mentioned as possible successors to the late Judge Merrick.

House democrats are still considering the question of a compromise tariff bill.

A Baltimore delegation visited Washington in the interest of a bill refunding drummers' licenses.

The Baltimore & Drum Point Railroad wants a charter to lay tracks in the District of Columbia.

Jos. K. McCammon has been appointed chairman of the inaugural reception committee in place of General Beale.

The Mohican will be sent to Samoa.

Governor David B. Hill, of New York, was tendered a reception on Wednesday at the residence of Secretary Whitney in Washington, at which most of the prom- …t members of both houses of Congress …resent. On the same day President …d and wife visited New York os- … the purpose of looking after their …dence in that city and consulting …spective law partners.

…e Centreville Papers Say.

…st week the result of the joint …he two boards of county com- … Centreville, relative to the …rchase of Chester river bridge. …ille *Observer* thus comments:

…lusion reached is to offer $7,500 …dge, each county to bear equally …se of purchase and maintenance. …lusion is an eminently proper one …g to our way of looking at the mat- …t is undeniable that the sentiment of … counties is largely in favor of free …mmunication and the two boards are entirely willing to spend the counties' money for the purchase of Chester River Bridge, provided the property can be purchased at a reasonable figure, but they are, or at least, a majority of them will not consent to the purchase of the bridge at a figure which is in excess of its actual value in its present condition. The bridge, if we may take the estimates of experts, is not worth more than $5,000 and the reason the commissioners offer a sum in excess of this figure is that they consider the franchises and privileges its charter gives are worth the difference between its actual commercial value as a structure ($5,000) and the amount which they offer for it ($7,500.) The figure at which the company offers to sell the structure is beyond the pale of reason, should not be considered for a moment, and our tax-payers may rest assured that the present board of commissioners for Queen Anne's will not consent to pay one-half of the sum of $11,400. The bridge company can have $7,500 for the bridge structure and its appurtenance and that is all that will be paid for it.

The *Record* says:

"The obstructions to a free bridge seem to come from Kent county, or rather from the stockholders by their exorbitant price and other unreasonable exactions. The people of this county are favorable to a free bridge, and are willing to pay a fair price to the owners of the old bridge, and make it a good and safe highway for the accommodation of that portion of the citizens of the county who reside along the shores of upper Chester river, and seek a market in Chestertown for their products. Capt. James Smith, who was appointed some months ago to examine the bridge, was called upon to state the result of his examination in detail. He stated that the actual worth of the bridge was $6,000, and that it would cost at least $2,500 to make it a safe public highway. He also stated that he would take the contract to build a bridge with 20 feet spans for $11,000. The majority of the spans of the old bridge, he says, was 30 feet, which made it vibrate when a load passed over it."

THE FREE BRIDGE QUESTION.

A QUEER PROCEEDING.

There are more ways than one to cook terrapin! And there are more ways than one to kill a public enterprise. Three ways were resorted to to prevent a free bridge. First, open opposition; second, unequal apportionment; third, objection to price. The open opposition gave way before an overwhelming public sentiment; the unjust apportionment proposition fell quickly when confronted by the fair minded people of the two counties, but the "last ditch" is reached and availed of successfully. The bridge company want too much for their property! To prove it a Centreville bridge builder is called upon. Capt. Jas. Smith says the bridge is worth only so much; that he will take the contract to build a new one for so much, and so on; and, to cap the argument, the two boards are taken to see the new Corsica creek bridge, which is 800 feet long and cost $3,200. This is all very nice—a very good case against our bridge company's price. But it is purely *one sided*. The *other side* seems to have been lost sight of. Because Capt. Smith can build one bridge for $3,200 is it conclusive that he can build another more than twice as long, with an expensive draw, in much deeper water and swift tide, with abutments at each end of Port Deposit granite, which alone would cost from $1,500 to $2,000, for three times that sum? But he says he will take a contract to build a new bridge in place of the present Chester river bridge for $11,000. Take a contract—when? where? How is such a statement as this to be verified? The declaration is *worth nothing*, because of the impossibility of testing it. Not that Capt. Smith is unworthy of credence, either as a competent bridge building mechanic or as an honorable gentleman. We know him personally and believe him to be both. But his examination of Chester river bridge was not with a view of *taking a contract to build*. Had this been the case his estimates doubtless would have been different.

But aside from all this, and even admitting Capt. Smith's estimates, is there not a better way of reaching the value of the property—a way more in accordance with right and reason? *What is its value upon the market?* Do we sell our properties according to their COST to us or their VALUE to us? What would Mr. —— take for his Centreville bank stock?—the sum he gave or what it would bring in the market? If he can get $15 per share for his bank stock from A, B, or C—indeed from any one knowing its value—would not D be counted an idiot to insist upon purchasing that same stock for $10?

The par value of the Chester river bridge stock is $15 per share. *It has paid an average of eight per cent. interest* on this value for the past forty years. It is worth this sum on the market to-day. It cannot be had for a dime less. Those who hold it are *not desirous to sell*—as some of our Centreville friends seem to think. Place this stock on the market in Chestertown or Centreville, and it will be readily bought at par, if not at a premium, and we would not be astounded to find among the purchasers some of the very persons who insist that the *counties should have it for one-third less!*

It is certainly foolish—if not something worse—to place such an ultimatum as the sum named before the bridge company. It can have but one effect—whether it was so intended or not—that is, the defeat of the free bridge project.

THE PROCEEDING ILLEGAL.

We presume the proposition formulated at the "joint executive session" of the commissioners of Kent and Queen Anne's counties, at Centreville, last Thursday week, will in due time be communicated to and considered by the bridge company, but the answer has already been discounted by the expressions of opinion from individual stockholders, that they consider such a proposition simply equivalent to saying we do not want to buy your bridge.

The proceeding at Centreville was illegal anyway, and, of course, must be declined. It was not only illegal but quite amusing to those who can see "behind the throne." For instance, were not our Queen Anne's neighbors overly kind in giving Kent FIVE votes to their THREE? Would they have been so liberal had the said five been a unit for accepting the bridge company's proposition? The election of a bridge keeper is the only matter which the law authorizes the two boards to act upon *jointly*. Will our neighbors allow us a five-to-three vote on that?

The proper proceeding now—indeed, the only legal proceeding—is for each board of commissioners *separately* to consider whether it will accede to the price asked by the bridge company, for the law says each board must decide these questions respectively and not in joint executive session, as was so nicely arranged by our Centreville friends, who seem to be for a free bridge provided they can get anybody to give them one! And the determination by the commissioners of each county separately whether they are willing to pay one-half of $11,400 each for the bridge, will settle the question which of the counties is in favor of a free bridge and which opposed to it, at least until the people can have another opportunity to express an opinion on the subject.

A Full Answer to Col. Brown.

Col. E. H. Brown, it is said, insisted that the statement that Mr. Morris, the president of the Kent county commissioners, submitted at the meeting at Centreville, showing that the bridge company had paid average dividends of over eight per cent. per annum for the last forty years, over and above all expenses and repairs, was not a fair statement, in as much as it did not show what dividends the bridge was paying now or had paid during the past eight years. The following statement made to us by a stockholder of the bridge company shows that the dividends for the past eight years have averaged about 6¾ per cent. per annum.

Dividends were paid as follows:

Div'd No.	107	Jan. '81	90c.	per share	or	6	per ct.
" "	108	" '82	90c.	"	"	6	"
" "	109	July '82	90c.	"	"	6	"
" "	115	" '89	1.29	"	"	8	"
" "	114	Jan. '87	90c.	"	"	6	"
" "	113	July '86	60c.	"	"	4	"
" "	112	Jan. '84	60c.	"	"	4	"
" "	111	July '83	90c.	"	"	6	"
" "	110	Jan. '83	75c.	"	"	5	"

The income of the bridge company by reason of the travel of Mr. Eliason's straw wagons was increased in 1888 over $600, and this will probably continue, which will make the stock of the company *even more valuable* to the stockholders in the future than in the past.

The extraordinary expenditure during the past three years in rebuilding the draw, replanking the bridge and replacing the spliced piles in deep water with new piling cannot be considered as ordinary running repairs, as it was in part a rebuilding of the structure. We understand from one of the directors that a fair estimate for repairs will not exceed $500 per annum for the next ten years.

A BARGAIN is offered in a place of 6 or 8 acres with good size dwelling at Smithville.

THE INSANE.

Dr. B. D. Evans, formerly of Millington, now assistant physician in the Maryland Hospital for the Insane, will accept our acknowledgments for a copy of the annual report of the institution. The report shows 396 patients under treatment there, 39 of whom are private patients. The cost per capita for current expenses, medical attendance and ordinary repair of buildings is $195.39. Of the occupants 56 males and 55 females were admitted during the past year; the occupation of the larger proportion being as follows:

Farmers, wives and daughters of	8 males,	15 females
Laborers " " "	18 "	9 "
Merchants " " "	4 "	6 "
Clerks " " "	8 "	2 "

There are 2 clergymen, 4 housekeepers, 3 shoemakers and 2 physicians.

Of the form of mental disorder, the great mass of the 111 come under two heads:

Melancholia	13 males,	15 females,	total, 32
Mania	29 "	23 "	" 52

Of the cause for insanity—

Domestic trouble	6 males,	9 females;	total, 14
Business reverses	6 "	3 "	" 9
Grief at loss of friends	4 "	5 "	" 9
Hereditary taint	11 "	11 "	" 22
Unknown	11 "	10 "	" 21
Overwork	2 females—No males!		

Kent county is entitled under the census of 1880 to five patients. There are now seven there—three males and four females.

EDITOR CRUIKSHANK, of the Cecil *Democrat*, was hypercritical in his last issue. It is not surprising to find him so toward the politicians, who have failed to know of his "half century of" political "work in unhonored realms," but when he unmercifully slashes his editorial brethren his spirit is unaccountable. All the Baltimore papers are depreciated, the New York *World* is a pilferer, the Annapolis *Advertiser* no better, and a "dozen or more papers" are emasculators; the Baltimore County *Democrat* and our neighbor, the *Transcript*, are claimed to have been "caught in a trap," and finally, the KENT NEWS is arraigned for its "sense of propriety" in publishing a lost love letter!

We are fallible, and therefore defer to our tasty cotemporary. We are sure now we did wrong in publishing that letter! First, because its author was a love-sick *colored girl*, and second, because it offended the immaculate taste of our esteemed Cecil cotemporary. We therefore ask pardon of both.

Now, let's see about Editor Cruikshank's *taste* and critical acumen. He read the love letter, of course, and here are his conclusions:

"The orthography and punctuation are far from correct, but the sentiment is that of a lady."

"That of a LADY!" Mercy on us, what a judge of *sentiment!* The "spoony" character and gush of that letter we supposed to be apparent to every one. But it seems not so to Brother Cruikshank. He drank it all, and smacked his lips over "the sentiment of a lady!" Verily, our hypercritical cotemporary has TASTE TO SPARE!

NEWSPAPER CHANGE.—The *Easton Star*, which was published many years by the late Thomas K. Robson, has been sold by the heirs to Mr. Charles G. Wright, a deputy in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Talbot county. The politics of the paper will be democratic as heretofore. We welcome the new proprietor to the editorial fraternity and wish him a large measure of success.

ON ITS WAY TO TOLCHESTER.—A barge containing a monster whale, while passing through the Chesapeake and Delaware Canel one day last week en route for Tolchester Beach, sunk near St. George's. The following figures are given concerning the great fish: Length, 65 feet; mouth, from throat to tip, 14 feet; distance across mouth, 12 feet; fins, 5 feet; end of tail 7 feet; weight, 10 tons; twenty-four persons can sit around its jaws at one time; a man can stand erect between the open jaws; $200 worth of bones have been taken from its mouth and is said to contain 3,000 more; it was embalmed in New York at a cost of $3,000; it is a pin whale and was captured eight months ago off Cape Cod.

THE STATE TO PAY.—At the solicitation of State's Attorney P. B. Hopper, of Queen Anne's Co., the Board of Public Works, after consultation with Attorney General Whyte, has consented to pay the expenses caused by the men in Centreville jail to testify in the cases of the captains of the dredge vessels Julia A. Jones and J. C. Mahoney which were sunk in Chester river on the night of December 10th last. Each witness is allowed one dollar for everyday he is detained and the Sheriff is allowed fifty cents per day for board. By the time May term of court convenes the expense of keeping of these witnesses would amount to a considerable sum in the aggregate.

A YOUNG GIRL KILLED AT EASTON.—On Wednesday evening Elias Dawson, about 14 years, accidentally shot and killed Eva Burroughs, about the same age. The children were at the residence of Mrs. Anna Dawson, Elias's mother, who is now in Philadelphia. He drew all the loads, as he supposed, from a seven-shooter pistol. Eva then took it and snapped it six times and then passed it to Elias, when it was discharged, the ball entering Eva's left eye and penetrating the brain. She was the daughter of Mrs. H. K. Burroughs and the niece of Col. Oswald Tilghman. The accident casts a gloom over the community and brings great distress to two families.

A BIG FOX DRIVE.—Nearly ten thousand people participated in a fox "drive" in Hardin Township, Pike county, Ill, one day last week. The depredations on the poultry and pigs had become so annoying and costly that the yeomanry of Pike county resolved on a war of extermination against Reynard. The day fixed, the forces arranged under various commanders, and at a given hour the march commenced towards a common centre. Over fifty hounds were in the chase, to say nothing of innumerable curs. When the various lines closed in, owing to the intense excitement, quite a number of foxes escaped, yet on final count it was found that thirteen of the sly depredators had been captured. A notable feature of the drive was the unusually large number of ladies present. After the dogs were turned loose those standing in the southwest corner of the timber saw a large, full-grown panther coming with majestic leaps in that direction. Wild, random shots were fired at him. The shouts and screams of excited women and children made a pandemonium, and in the excitement the beast managed to make his escape.

STATE CONVENTION OF COLORED PEOPLE.—It is announced that a movement is on foot for holding a State convention in Baltimore late this month in the interest of the colored people of Maryland to discuss their educational, industrial and political welfare. The establishment of an independent school, the further increase in educational facilities and the correction of a claimed inequality in the distribution of the school funds are matters which the promoters of the convention have in mind. It is proposed to have similar movements in the South and to secure a permanent organization of colored people through the medium of State committees.—*Sun.*

A Distinguished Visitor.

Rev. William Butler, D. D., of the Methodist Episcopal Church, has been on a recent visit to Chestertown. On Friday night of last week he preached in the M. E. Church and on Sunday, morning, afternoon (to the Sunday school) and night and also on Monday night he talked on the subject of missions. All of his congregations were large and deeply interested in the recital of his thrilling experiences. Dr. Butler established the Methodist missions in India in 1856. Soon after reaching that country the Sepoy rebellion broke out and he was the only missionary that escaped with his life, all the others, together with their wives and children, having been massacred. He with a party of eighty-seven men, including a British military officer, and upwards of a hundred women and children, took refuge in a secluded place on the side of a mountain, to which there was a very narrow approach, and in that position defended themselves for thirteen months, until the rebellion was suppressed by the English government, being most of the time supplied with provisions by persons residing further up the mountain, who were not friendly to the Sepoys. The doctor amused his audience with the remark in passing that he did not in the meantime tender his friendly offices to bring about a better state of feeling between the hostile tribes. Dr. Butler remained in India until 1864, when, his health failing, he returned to this country, not however before he had established an annual conference, which has since developed into three, with 300 native preachers and 12,000 members. He has published an exceedingly interesting work on India, entitled "The Land of the Veda," giving a glowing account of the manners and customs of the people and his experiences while in that country, which has had a large sale. Dr. Butler also established the Methodist missions in Mexico, and is now engaged in writing a work on that country. He has had a more varied experience in missionary work than perhaps any other man in this country. Though well advanced in years, being upwards of seventy, he is still vigorous with the exception of a rheumatic affection in the right ankle, from which he has suffered for some years.

SUDDEN DEATH OF A RESPECTED CITIZEN.—Mr. John M. Armstrong, a highly respected citizen of the first district, died suddenly at his residence in Galena on Saturday last, aged about sixty-one years. A sister died on the previous Thursday and was to have been buried on Saturday, but on account of his death on that day her funeral was postponed and they were both buried at the same time on Sunday in the graveyard on the premises. Mr. Armstrong was a bachelor, and it is thought that grief on account of his sister's death, to whom he was devotedly attached, lead to his sudden and unexpected demise. He was a man of quiet habits and lived mostly in retirement. He seldom visited Chestertown except when on jury duty, and was perhaps as little known as any gentleman of his age in the county. His whole life was characterized by the strictest integrity.

W. F. M. S.—A branch of the Woman's Foreign Misionary Society was organized by the Rev. Dr. Butler at the M. E. Church on Monday afternoon with 21 members and the number has since been increased to 26. Mrs. C. M. Lucas was elected president, Mrs. M. A. Toulson vice-president, Miss Anna R. Brown secretary and Mrs. J. R. Clements treasurer. The *whole expense* of the education of an orphan child in India is only $25.00, and this branch proposes to raise at least that amount annually, so that in the course of a few years they will be educating several children. A collection of $17.25 for the purpose was taken last Monday night, and this amount has since increased by the addition of several honorary members at one dollar a year. Monthly meetings of the branch will be held, of which due notice will be given.

ENTERTAINMENT.—The eighth grade of Chestertown public school gave an entertainment in Stam's Hall last Saturday evening, which was patronized by a fair audience. The following program was rendered in fine style, the whole giving much pleasure to all:

1. Introduction to S. F. C. .... HARRY CATLIN
2. Sun Flower Chorus .... "OVER THE SEA"
3. Piano Solo 'Heavenward March' ... WILLIE REICHE
4. PLAY—"THE RED CHIGNON"—
   COE THOMPSON, DAISY CARVILL, CORA HYNSON, MARIAN LUSBY, GRACE TURNER, GUSSIE CANNAN.
5. Piano Solo, 'El Fresco Waltz,' *E. Kate Simmons*, ALICE PLATT
6. Quintette, 'Yes, We'll all be Ready,'
   SAM BECK, HYDIE THOMPSON, JAMES CHAPMAN, WILLIE REICHE, FRANK DAVIS.
7. PLAY—"A Thorn Among the Roses."—
   COE THOMPSON, ALICE PLATT, DAISY CARVILL, CORA HYNSON, CRACE TURNER, MARIAN LUSBY, ANNIE RUSSELL, GUSSIE CANNAN, SAMUEL BECK, JAMES CHAPMAN.
8. Piano Solo—"Boute-en-train Galop," *E. Kitterer*—ALICE PLATT.
9. Septette—"First Love," .... EIGHTH GRADE.
10. Sun Flower Chorus—"Chiming Bells of Long Ago."
11. Piano Solo—"Fisher's Hornpipe Medley"—*A. P. Wyman* .... ALICE PLATT

Probably the most popular feature of the program was the sunflower chorus. It consisted of a curtain across the front of the stage with three large sunflower stalks upon it, each stalk bearing four blossoms and the centre of each blossom was the face of a boy or girl. Two pieces of music were thus rendered, and the sweet strains combined with the novel arrangement called forth genuine applause. The receipts amounted to $37.95.

Postmasters Ought to Know.

The following actually occurred a few days ago in Chestertown:

School boy to Postmaster Fowler—Any letter for Pap, this mornin'?

Postmaster Fowler—No.

Boy—Will they be one this evenin'?

P. M.—You will have to come and see.

Boy—All right!

THE congregation of Washington Street Methodist Protestant Church, Baltimore, Rev. R. Semple Rowe, pastor, held their final service in the old church last Sunday. Next Sunday they will occupy their new Church, which is a large and handsome stone structure, corner of Chester and Lombard streets. The farewell exercises were held in the afternoon. The pastor made an address, in which he reviewed the work done by the church, and dwelt on the bright outlook for the future. Memorial services were held in the evening.

MRS. JACKSON, wife of Governer Jackson, will give a reception at the Gubernatorial mansion in Annapolis every Thursday from 4 to 6 P. M. Misses Elkins, of New York, daughter of Stephen B. Elkins; Miss Grace Davis, of West Virginia, daughter of Hon. Henry G. Davis; Miss Green, of New Jersey; Miss Ross, of Delaware, and Miss Houston, of Dorchester county, are the guests of Mrs. Jackson, and will assist in the receptions during the next three weeks.

A NEW DANCE.—A new dance called "chow-chow" has become very popular in the east. A portion of it consists of a waltz in which you can hug four ladies in rotation. The dance has not struck here yet, but many of our young men wish it would. —*Centreville Record.*

To Meet in Chestertown.

The next meeting of the Peninsula Horticultural Association will be held in Chestertown in January, 1890, and Messrs. Robert G. Nicholson, James S. Harris and Norris Barnard are appointed a committee to arrange therefor. The recent meeting at Dover was well attended—one of the most encouraging features being the presence there of a dozen or more scientists from the Washington Pomological Department and the Government Experimental Stations of Maryland and Delaware. An interesting address on peach culture was made before the meeting by Mr. James S. Harris, of Kent.

THE REVIVAL MEETING in Christ M. P. Church, Chestertown, during the past two weeks has resulted in a number of conversions and much good to the general church membership, under the conduct of Evangelist Quincy L. Morrow. The interest is on the increase, and grand results are expected during the coming week. Rev. W. R. Graham, the pastor, will have charge of the meeting. The evangelist will begin a series of meetings at Lynch's Chapel tomorrow (Sunday) night.

THE WEATHER.—There was a sudden change in the weather on Tuesday and since that time it has been quite wintry. Notwithstanding the high wind of Wednesday night the river opposite this town and for some distance below was frozen over on Thursday morning. The Emma Ford is reported to have encountered ice an inch and a-half thick on her trip to this place on Thursday and yesterday morning it was from three-quarters to an inch thick at the wharf when she left here. The indications point to a general freeze up.

CARRYING THE MAILS.—Contracts for carrying the mails on certain routes in Maryland have just been awarded, among which we notice the following: The route from Baltimore, by Tolchester Beach and Fairlee, to Chestertown and back six times a week to Tolchester Beach by steamboat, the residue in hacks, from June 1st to September 15th each year, was awarded to the Tolchester Steamboat Company, for $600. T. E. Norris, Still Pond to Betterton, $88. J. Rollison, Chestertown to Rock Hall, $500. F. E. Smith, Church Hill to Rolph's, $167. J. W. Jackson, Warwick to Sassafras, $126. J. S. Tarbutton, Church Hill to Price's Station, $248. J. A. Calfere, Crumpton to Millington, $217. W. S. D. Castleman, Fairlee to Worton, $266.

A LEAF FROM WATERLOO.—A most interesting letter from Mrs. Rosalie Mitchell will be found on the fourth page of the NEWS. Who has not heard of the famous battle of Waterloo? To view in person the historic field is not the privilege of many Kent countians. Mrs. Mitchell not only enjoys this privilege but writes about it and incloses to the NEWS a pretty little green leaf, plucked from a vine there, as a memento of her visit.

AT STAM'S HALL TO-NIGHT one of the most interesting entertainments of the season will be given. Prof. Frederick A. Ober is advertised to throw upon a 500-foot canvas screen eighty dissolving pictures—all of them superb views of Mexico and some beautifully colored. Prof. Ober's descriptions are said to be most fascinating, and his pictures provoke rounds of applause.

THE "Baltimore Fruit Exchange" is not dead yet. A meeting of the directors was held at Barnum's hotel on Thursday of last week, when it was determined to call for the three-fifths yet due on some of the stock. This will give several thousand dollars for working capital after paying the debts of the association. An effort is to be made to get a share of the foreign fruit trade.

A LIVE SWAN CAUGHT.—Messrs. Paul and Richard Willson, of Eastern Neck, on Monday caught a live swan at the mouth of Chester river. The swan was crippled in the wing and could not fly, but swam like a cutter. It appears to be quite tame, and the captors intend to make the bird a present to Druid Hill Park.

A MEAN ACT.—Some very low character was guilty of a mean trick at Bettertown recently. During the absence of Mr. Horace Skeggs from home, a lot of wood was thrown into his well. A reward of $10 is offered for the discovery of the culprit.

A DESIRABLE FARM IN THE MARKET.—H. W. Vickers, Esq., advertises in this issue the farm of Mr. Frank Wilkins, known as the "Jones farm," containing 209 acres, situated on Chester river, one and a-half miles below Chestertown, and adjoining Capt. R. S. Emory.

WASHINGTON COLLEGE.—The semi-annual examination at this institution closed yesterday and the second term of the collegiate session will begin on Monday next. The semi-annual gathering of the alumni on the 22d inst. (Washington's birthday) is anticipated with much interest.

FESTIVALS TO TAKE PLACE.—Wednesday, Feb. 20, at Knights of Pythias Hall, by friends of Rock Hall M. E. Church.

At Kennedyville, Feb. 20th, 21st and 22d, by the Ladies of the M. P. Church.

WITHDRAWN.—On and after Monday next the steamer Gratitude will be withdrawn until further notice. She will probably be off the route two or three weeks to make annual repairs.

SALE.—J. D. Urie, Esq., sold at the Court House door last Tuesday a dwelling house and lot at Fairlee for $550. Mrs. M. L. Baker purchaser.

MR. AND MRS. GEORGE H. WATTS gave an enjoyable party to their numerous friends, at their home in Quaker Neck last Tuesday evening.

MUSIC.—Miss Sadie Stratton has located in Chestertown and will teach music on piano or organ. Her residence is on High street.

HI HENRY, with his famous Company of 30 Star Artists, will appear at Stam's Hall on Saturday, Feb. 16.

ORPHANS' COURT, Feb. 5, 1889.—Present Judges Walker, Fisher and Moffett.

Samuel Cacy and R. D. Hynson, adm'rs of John F. Whittington, passed their first and final admin. and dividend account.

The last will and testament of S. A. J. Wickes was filded for probate.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS met Tuesday. Full board present.

An order was drawn on George O. Roeder for balance of levy for jail bonds and interest, which was paid by check.

Upon recommendation, an order was passed appointing Edward J. Plummer a constable of the third district.

THE great car strike in New York is over, the men consenting to go to work upon old terms. Results—a week of disorder, inconvenience to the public, loss and shame to the strikers and one or two fatal shootings.

Personals.

Miss Hallie Plumbly, of Philadelphia, is visiting Mrs. Joel R. Clements, in Chestertown.

Miss Nina Quinlan, of Baltimore, who has been visiting Miss Lillian Hynson, has returned home accompanied by Miss Lillian.

Miss Nannie Dever and Miss Nelie Walker are visiting friends in Centreville.

Miss Fronnie Proctor and Miss Ida Taylor, of Baltimore, have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. S. York.

Miss Nannie Bordley has returned home from quite an extended visit to her sister in Baltimore.

Cards are out for the nuptials of Miss E. Beulah Crew, daughter of Mr. J. L. Crew, of Chestertown, and Mr. John D. Burris, of Plum Point, at Union M. E. Church, on Tuesday, Feb. 14th, at 7.30 o'clock P. M.

Worton Presbyterian Church has secured the services of the Rev. Baillie, who will preach every Sabbath morning at 10½ o'clock until the weather becomes more settled, when the evening services will be resumed.

Jacob Kendall and lady, of Rock Hall, gave a turtle and swan supper to a number of friends on Friday the 1st inst. The occasion was one which an epicure might envy.

MARRIED.

At Rock Hall M. E. Church, by Rev. N. McQuay, THOS. J. RICH to Miss MARY E. FAUCETT, both of Kent county, on Wednesday last.

DIED.

At Centreville Landing, Jan. 28, 1889, Mrs. JOSEPHINE KENDALL, wife of Capt. Thomas Kendall, aged 54 years.

JACKSON DEMOCRATIC CLUB.

A SPECIAL MEETING of the "Jackson Democratic Club" has been called to meet at their Hall on SATURDAY, February 16th, at 7 o'clock. Important business claims your attention.

f9-2t. JNO. DICKINSON, Sec'y.

$10 REWARD Will be paid for the name or names of the person or persons who were so dastardly mean as to throw wood in my well during my absence, thereby making it impossible to get any water from the well. HORACE SKEGGS, Betterton, Md.

f9-3t.

FOR RENT for the Present Year:

PARSONS'S MILL.

A good stream, good neighborhood and rent cheap. Apply to HOPE H. BARROLL, Attorney for owner.

f9-4t.*

FOR RENT:

AN EIGHT-ROOM DWELLING on High Street in Chestertown.

f9-3t. Apply to J. S. BRADLEY.

A BARGAIN!

A PLACE OF SIX or EIGHT ACRES, with a COMFORTABLE DWELLING HOUSE, situated at Smithville near Worton Station, Kent county, Md., will be sold at a great bargain. For terms, &c., apply at KENT NEWS OFFICE.

FOR SALE:

PALMETTO ASPARAGUS SEED and PLANTS, the best variety on the market.

Also, PURE POLAND CHINA PIGS.

f9-3m. F. P. COCHRAN, Galena, Kent County, Md.

FOR SALE:

100 BUSH. FIRST-CLASS ORCHARD GRASS SEED.

CHESTNUT RAILS, CEDAR and LOCUST POSTS. Apply at once to COMEGYS BROWN, WM. T. BROWN, Pomona, Md.

f9-3t.*

CLOVER, TIMOTHY,

—AND—

ORCHARD GRASS SEED

FOR SALE AT CLOSE PROFIT, FOR CASH.

Send for sample and price before buying

f9-3t. TURNER BROS., Betterton.

MISS SADIE STRATTON,

Teacher of Instrumental Music, Piano or Organ.

CHESTERTOWN, MARYLAND.

Reference:—Mrs. T. A. Hulme or Mrs. L. Alrich.

A FIRST-CLASS DRESSMAKER

Wishes work at home, or will go out by the day. Call on or address "DRESSMAKER." Residence, B. P. McManus, High st., Chestertown.

f2-4t.*

THE BEST POULTRY.

THE CELEBRATED PENCILED "WYANDOTTE," are recognized for their fine size, good laying and setting qualities. I have a few for sale at low prices. Call or address B. TREW, POMONA.

f2-3t.

FOR SALE:

ONE ECLIPSE ENGINE AND THRESHER, both in complete order: 1 Dearborn; Lot of Wheelwright Lumber. The Engine and Thresher a bargain—terms made so that the machine will pay for itself. L. C. JUSTIS, JR., KENNEDYVILLE.

f2-3t.

LOST COW.

Lost, strayed or stolen some time during the summer or fall of 1888, a Red and White HEIFER, two years old next Spring. Any information of her whereabouts will be thankfully received and liberally rewarded. L. C. JUSTIS, JR., KENNEDYVILLE.

fe2-3t.

FOR SALE:

Choice White and Barred Plymouth Rocks, Wyandottes, Light Brahmas, White Leghorns, Golden Seabright Bantams, Pekin Ducks and Bronze Turkeys. Circulars free. Address C. C. BROWN & BROS., POMONA, MD.

j26-3t.*

MONEY TO LOAN:

$1,000, $3,000, ON MORTGAGE. J. H. SIMPERS, Chestertown.

Jan. 26—3t.

FOR RENT for 1889:

The STOREROOM under the "Kent News" office, now in the occupancy of Mr. H. A. Sparks. Apply to WM. M. SLAY, ATTORNEY.

d8-tf.

FOR RENT or LEASE:

The STOREHOUSE at FAIRLEE, in the Fairlee Grange Hall Company Building. For terms apply to T. A. HULME, FAIRLEE, MD.

d15-tf.

AT PRIVATE SALE,

FOUR ACRE TRACT OF LAND, improved by a GOOD DWELLING, containing Five Rooms, and Out-Buildings, (all new,) situated on northeast prong of Lankford's Bay, directly opposite Brown's Wharf. For terms, apply to MRS. S. H. THOMAS, Lankford P. O.

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TO MOTHERS.

Every babe should have a bottle of DR FAHRNEY'S TEETHING SYRUP. Perfectly safe. No Opium or Morphine Mixture. Will relieve Colic, Griping in the Bowels and Promote Difficult Teething. Prepared by DRS. D. FAHRNEY & SON, Hagerstown, Md. Druggists sell it; 25 cents. Trial bottle sent by mail 10 cents.

f5-y.

—THE NEW—

HIGH-ARM

SEWING MACHINE.

WHEELER & WILSON, No. 9.

Decided to Be the Best in the World. The Tension Perfectly Automatic, Perfection of Seam, Simplicity, Durability, and the Only Machine in the world that makes a Lock Stich without the use of a Shuttle. Those who wish a Sewing Machine embodying all the best results of inventive skill and construction, to do the service of a lifetime, should not fail to examine our

No. 9, Sold on Easy Monthly Payments.

OVER 100 IN USE IN KENT AND QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTIES.

Orders by mail receive prompt attention. Thanking the public for past favors I solicit a share in the future. Give me a call. Address

CHAS. J. REICHE, Chestertown, Kent Co., Md.

Feb. 2, 1889.

AGENT WANTED in Centreville. Address above.

SUPPER in KENNEDYVILLE.

The Ladies of the M. P. Church, Kennedyville, will hold a SUPPER in the Town Hall, on WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY and FRIDAY EVENINGS, Feb. 20th, 21st and 22d, 1889. Their friends and the public generally are cordially invited to attend.

Feb. 9—2t.

OYSTER SUPPER.

The friends of Rock Hall M. E. Church will have an OYSTER SUPPER at the Knights of Pythias Hall, on WEDNESDAY, the 20th of Feb., to which the public are earnestly invited. Proceeds for the church. Oysters will be served by the plate in any quantity desired. Refreshments, consisting of Confectionery, &c., will also be served.

f9-2t*.

Illustrated Lecture!

BEAUTIFUL ENTERTAINMENT.

FREDERICK A. OBER!

PICTURESQUE MEXICO

—with—

80 SUPERB VIEWS!

Popular and Pleasing, Artistic in Conception and Satisfactory in Every Feature!

AT STAM'S HALL:

THIS SATURDAY EVENING, Feb. 9.

These dissolving views, many of them beautifully colored, are projected by a double lantern of great power and by Oxy-Hydro-Lime Light, upon a screen containing 500 feet of canvas.

ADMISSION, with reserved seat, 35 cents.

DIVIDEND NOTICE.

ESTATE OF JOHN F. WHITTINGTON.

ON application it is hereby ordered that SAMUEL CACY and RICHARD D. HYNSON, administrators of John F. Whittington, late of Kent county, Maryland, deceased, give notice by advertisement, that the first dividend on the personal estate of the said deceased will be made in this court on TUESDAY, the 5th day of March, 1889.

Test:— T. ROMIE STRONG, Register of Wills.

The undersigned, administrators of John F. Whittington, late of Kent county, Maryland, deceased, hereby give notice that in pursuance of an order of the Orphans' Court for Kent county, of Feb. 5th, 1889, they will on the 5th day of March, 1889, proceed to pay their first dividend on the personal estate of their decedent. SAMUEL CACY, R. D. HYNSON, Administrators.

Feb. 9, 1889—4t.

SPECIAL NOTICE!

Steamer GRATITUDE

WITHDRAWN on and after Saturday, February 9, until further notice.

C. HALYBURTON, JR., MANAGER.

Feb. 9.

Feed and Provision Store!

EDWARD J. WATSON

RESPECTFULLY informs his friends and the public that he has opened a new store on High Street, next to the Express Office, in Chestertown, and will keep on hand a

GENERAL STOCK OF

Goceries and Provisions!

FEED, HAY,

CORN, CHOP STUFF,

OATS, MEAL, FLOUR, &c.,

will be furnished at short notice at lowest prices. GROCERIES of all kinds; Vegetables, &c.,

I shall endeavor to keep a General Feed and Produce Store, and respectfully ask a share of the public patronage. E. J. WATSON.

Feb. 2, 1889.

Bargains in Store Goods!

WHERE TO GET THEM

ALL IN WANT OF SEASONABLE GOODS ARE INVITED TO CALL AT

WROTH & ALDRIDGE'S

WE HAVE A COMPLETE, WELL SELECTED AND BEAUTIFUL STOCK OF

Dress Goods, Cloths,

Ginghams, Prints, Cassimeres,

And all Kinds of Dry Goods.

—ALSO—

Boots, Shoes, Hats, Caps,

Groceries, &c., &c.,

which stock will be kept complete.

FINE ASSORTMENT OF NECKWEAR!

SHOES A SPECIALTY.

Prices guaranteed Low!

Quality warranted as represented!

Best Prices for Trade!

All cordially invited. Resp'y,

WROTH & ALDRIDGE.

Jan. 2, 1889.

WM. T. HICKS,

Undertaker and Funeral Director,

GALENA, MARYLAND.

I BEG leave to inform the public that I am now prepared for the UNDERTAKING BUSINESS. Caskets, Coffins, Shrouds, Burial Robes &c., kept constantly on hand and furnished upon short notice at prices to suit the times.

With three years' experience I can guarantee to execute all orders in a satisfactory manner.

Bodies kept without ice.

apr7-tf Respectfully, WM. T. HICKS.

J. W. PURUCKER & CO.,

No. 40 East Pratt St., Baltimore, Maryland,

Between Maltby House and Light Street,

Guns, Pistols, Ammunition, Fishing Tackle

—AND A—

FULL LINE of SPORTING GOODS.

We have the most Practical Gun Smiths in the city, and guarantee Alterations and Repairs on Gun, with neatness and dispatch. s29-y.

STRAW WANTED!

HAVING Leased the Chestertown STRAWBOARD MILL, I am ready to BUY ALL THE STRAW that Farmers may wish to dispose of. Will clean up ALL THE STRAW from the stackyards sold me, rejecting only rotten straw, on the basis of 2240 pounds per ton for dry straw; only asking those wishing to sell to take a little extra pains in Stacking and not put the chaff with their Straw.

MR. JAMES BRICE is my authorized agent to buy.

WILBUR ELIASON.

MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF

Valuable Real Estate!

UNDER and by virtue of a power contained in a mortgage from Frank Wilkins and wife, to Harrison W. Vickers, dated 11th January, 1888, and duly recorded among the Land Records of Kent county, State of Maryland, in Liber S. B. No. 10, Folio 283, &c., the undersigned will offer at Public Sale,

On TUESDAY, 5th day of March, 1889,

at the Court House Door in Chestertown, Maryland, at Eleven o'clock A. M.,

ALL THAT DESIRABLE FARM,

situated, lying and being on Chester river, one and a-half miles below Chestertown, and adjoining the farm and residence of Capt. R. S. Emory, and commonly known as the

"JONES FARM,"

—CONTAINING—

209 ACRES OF LAND, more or less.

The soil is a loam, and well adapted to the cultivation of fruits and the cereals.

63 Acres Well Set in Chestnut Timber.

THERE IS A

PEACH ORCHARD

OF 1,600 HEALTHY TREES,

of well-selected varieties, 5 years old. A flourishing and vigorous orchard of 1,400 Peach Trees, two years old.

3 ACRES WELL SET IN ASPARAGUS.

The Improvements are a

DWELLING HOUSE,

Brick and Frame; Barn, Stable, Carriage House, and Hay Barracks. A well of excellent water.

The location of this property is one of the finest and most desirable on the river; the land is high and the location healthy.

The owner, Mr. Wilkins, will be pleased to show the premises to persons desiring to purchase.

TERMS OF SALE:—All cash on day of sale, but these terms may be modified, and at least $3,000 can remain on the farm, if desirable, the balance to be paid upon ratification of the sale, with interest on the whole purchase money from day of sale.

HARRISON W. VICKERS, MORTGAGEE.

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BY THE INSURANCE DEPARTMENT.

STATEMENT

SHOWING THE CONDITION OF

The Mutual Fire Insurance Company

—OF—

KENT COUNTY, MARYLAND,

DECEMBER 31, 1888.

ASSETS:

Value of Real Estate owned by the Company, less amount of encumbrance thereon	$2,781 04
Loans on Bonds and Mortgages	86,950 00
Stocks and Bonds absolutely owned by the Company (market value)	5,000 00
Amount of all Loans (except Mortgages) secured by Stocks, Bonds and other securities hypothecated to the Company for cash actually loaned by the Company	2,488 21
Interest due and accrued on Stocks, Bonds and other securities	1,475 96
Cash in Company's principal office and belonging to the Company deposited in bank	5,325 01
Premium Notes in force ... $168,310 05	
Total Cash Assets	$104,020 22

LIABILITIES:

Losses reported, unadjusted and unpaid ... $2,767 78	
Premiums Notes in force ... $168,310 05	
All other claims	3,493 51
Total Liabilities	$6,261 29
Surplus as regards Policy-holders	97,758 93
Total income	$13,028 43
Total expenditures	16,266 71
Amount of Policies in force in Maryland on 31st December, 1888	$2,407,259 00
Amount of Policies written in Maryland during the year 1888	132,070 00
Premiums received on Maryland business in 1888	6,629 34
Losses paid in Maryland during 1888	10,452 17
Losses incurred in Maryland dur'g 1888	12,809 46

STATE OF MARYLAND, INSURANCE DEPARTMENT, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, ANNAPOLIS, Feb. 4, 1889.

In compliance with the Code of Public General Laws, I hereby certify that the above is a true extract from the statement of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Kent County, Maryland, to December 31, 1888, now on file in this Department.

JESSE K. HINES, INSURANCE COMMISSIONER.

f9-3t.

Lumber! Lumber!

I HAVE NOW IN STOCK THE LARGEST ASSORTMENT OF

Shingles, Laths, Pickets,

WHITE PINE, GEORGIA PINE,

NORTH CAROLINA PINE,

VIRGINIA PINE,

CYPRESS and POPLAR LUMBER

in Kent county and other large lots to arrive, all purchased at the LOWEST CASH PRICES direct from the manufacturers and are for sale at VERY LOW PRICES. Also, a stock of

Doors, Door Frames, Window Frames,

SASH, BLINDS, MOULDINGS, &c.

Do not buy without giving me an opportunity to figure on your bills.

T. W. ELIASON, Jr.

HORSE - SHOEING

Headquarters!

SAMUEL HICKS, near the Court House,

Gives his Exclusive Attention to

HORSE-SHOEING!

I have learned the business thoroughly and have given it my study, and had much experience in the work of Horse-Shoeing. For this reason I think I am better prepared to do Horse-Shoeing than shops which do all kinds of Blacksmithing.

My system of Shoeing prevents CUTTING and FORGING and preserves the horses' feet.

My best recommendation is the universal satisfaction of my customers, and I have no hesitation in referring to any for whom I have done work.

My prices I guarantee to be as low as the lowest. Horsemen! Come and see me, and I will save you trouble and expense.

SAM. HICKS, H-o-r-s-e-S-h-o-e-r, Court Street, Chestertown.

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CAUTION TO TRESPASSERS.

Having rented the farm and shores of R. J. McCauley, known as the Culbreth farm, for gunning purposes, all persons are hereby notified not to trespass from this date, as the law will be strictly enforced.

R. J. McCAULEY, J. THOS. PENNINGTON, THOS. F. FAULKNER, WM. H. PENNINGTON.

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